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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Conversation with Ed Braswell, Chief of Staff,
Senate Armed Services Committee

1. I hand-carried to Ed Braswell today a summary of Soviet ICBM deployment from 1964 until the present. Braswell had asked for this information in simplified form for his ready reference.

2. I also briefed Braswell on the following current intelligence items:

- a. North Vietnamese troop infiltration southward,
- b. Soviet deployment of additional air regiments along the Sino-Soviet border,
- c. Soviet tests of a new long-range naval missile,
- d. ChiCom missile installation near the Korean border, and
- e. Departure of the Soviet sub tender from Cienfuegos.

3. During a subsequent luncheon conversation I asked Braswell about the status of our retirement bill. He said he would have to arrange hearings on the bill if we included anything (the reemployment provision) other than the provisions conforming our system to that of the Civil Service. I told him that if, minus the reemployment provision, the bill could be reported without hearings, I would urge that he drop that provision and go ahead with the other sections. Braswell said he thought he could do this and said he would take it up with Senator Stennis very shortly. I told him we were most anxious to see the bill get to the House in sufficient time for favorable consideration there. Braswell assured me he would do his best.

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